



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS

2 NAVY ANNEX

WASHINGTON DC 20370-5100

ELP

Docket No. 1745-00

8 August 2000

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Dear [REDACTED]

This is in reference to your application for correction of your naval record pursuant to the provisions of Title 10, United States Code, Section 1552.

A three-member panel of the Board for Correction of Naval Records, sitting in executive session, considered your application on 2 August 2000. Your allegations of error and injustice were reviewed in accordance with administrative regulations and procedures applicable to the proceedings of this Board. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of your application, together with all material submitted in support thereof, your naval record and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

After careful and conscientious consideration of the entire record, the Board found that the evidence submitted was insufficient to establish the existence of probable material error or injustice.

The Board found that you enlisted in the Navy on 27 January 1999 for four years at age 28. The record reflects that you were referred to the recruit mental health unit on 1 February 1999 for bedwetting and problems controlling your bladder. The examining psychiatrist noted that since your arrival at recruiting training you had experienced feelings of depression, hopelessness, anxiety, low self-esteem and social isolation. You reported that you were having problems with sleep, appetite, concentration and uncontrollable crying. You also said that you had thoughts of hurting or killing yourself. You were diagnosed as having an adjustment disorder with anxiety and depression, and enuresis.

On 8 February 1999 you were notified that an administrative separation was being considered by reason of convenience of the government due to a physical or mental condition as evidenced by an adjustment disorder and enuresis. You were advised of your procedural rights, declined to consult with counsel, and waived the right to have your case reviewed by the general court-martial convening authority. Thereafter, the discharge authority

directed an entry level separation due to physical or mental conditions as evidenced by an adjustment disorder and enuresis. On 19 February 1999, you received an uncharacterized entry level separation by reason of erroneous enlistment and were assigned an RE-4 reenlistment code.

Regulations provide that a member may be separated on the basis of erroneous enlistment if it would not have occurred had a disqualifying medical condition been known prior to enlistment.

Regulations authorize the assignment of an RE-4 reenlistment code to individuals discharged by reason of erroneous enlistment. The Board noted that when you were evaluated and diagnosed with an adjustment disorder and enuresis, you expressed suicidal ideation. Suicidal ideations or attempts are viewed by the Navy with grave concern because the individual is a potential risk to harm herself or others if retained. Further, enuresis is a disqualifying medical condition which is not compatible with military service. The Board thus concluded the assigned reenlistment code was appropriate and no change is warranted. Accordingly, your application has been denied. The names and votes of the members of the panel will be furnished upon request.

It is regretted that the circumstances of your case are such that favorable action cannot be taken. You are entitled to have the Board reconsider its decision upon submission of new and material evidence or other matter not previously considered by the Board. In this regard, it is important to keep in mind that a presumption of regularity attaches to all official records. Consequently, when applying for a correction of an official naval record, the burden is on the applicant to demonstrate the existence of probable material error or injustice.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director